



Newquay Junior Academy News Bulletin Friday 1st March 2024

The whole academy has been buzzing with the handball tournament that took place this week. Well done to everyone who took part and thank you to Mr Murphy, the pupil council, staff team and everyone who competed during the event. The student council raised an enormous £140 from the tournament, and we are grateful for all your donations. This will fund the new handball courts and handballs, ready to use during playtimes.

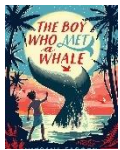
We wanted to inform you that after many years of dedicated service, we have some teachers leaving us at the end of the Summer Term. We would like to take this opportunity to thank Mrs Dewsnap (Year 6), Mrs Robinson (Year 3) and Mrs Gathercole (Year 4) for their amazing contribution to Newquay Junior Academy. Between them, these three fantastic teachers have taught multitudes of pupils and given their dedication and care to Newquay Junior. As valued members of our team, we will miss them all, and all the staff and pupils wish them all the best for the future.

The full details regarding staff and classes will be provided in June/July.

Please check your seesaw account, our website www.newquayjunior.net and www.facebook.com/NewquayJuniorAcademy for further information and pictures of class activities.

An overview of the activities coming up in each year group:

Year 3 – Exploring Earth:



- Class reading includes the adventure story, The Boy Who Met a Whale by Nizrana Farook.
- Learning exciting digital design programmes like Photopea to manipulate and extend our artwork.
- Exploring the rock cycle and learning about magnetism as part of our topic.
- Researching the ancient Celtic history of Cornwall and learning about St Piran for St Piran's day.

Reminder - Thursday 7 March

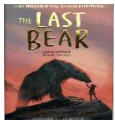
Year 3 parents & carers are invited to join us for a 'Reading Party' from 1.40pm.

Year 4 – Innovations and Inventions



- Reading the Iron Man by Ted Hughes, exploring the mystery and suspense in this classic story.
- Researching North America, learning more about the oceans, countries and culture.
- Creating portraits in art and developing our bat and ball skills in PE.
- Parents and Pupils in Year 4 are invited to join us at the St Piran's Day Parade in Newquay from 3.30pm.

Year 5 – Explorers:



- Reading The Last Bear in class. A thought-provoking tale where a girl befriends the last polar bear on her island.
- Learning about area and perimeter in maths.
- Exploring life cycles and plant dissection in science.
- Weds 27 March – parents/carers of Year 5 are invited to enjoy a sea shanty concert performed by the Year 5.

Year 6 - World War Two:



- Mock SATs - We are so proud of Year 6's positive and mature approach to the assessments this week.
- Researching the artist Roy Lichtenstein and producing our own pictures inspired by his World War 2 Art.
- We will be dissecting lamb hearts with Mr Ellis Davis to discover more about how human hearts work.

Reminder – 1st March onwards

Parents/Carers will be contacted directly by Cornwall Council regarding Year 7 placements.

Booking academy meals and Ninjas wrap around childcare on Sundays

Please can we remind you to book any academy meals via ParentPay on Sunday, ready for the week ahead. Your account will need to be in credit on the day to secure these bookings and meals are charged at £2.65. Tuck is no longer provided by the academy. Any tuck items will need to be brought in from home. **Please ensure these do not contain NUTS**, as we have pupils with severe allergies on site, thank you.

Parking inside the academy



Please do not park or drop pupils off in the staff car park at the front of the academy.

There is only one space available for visitors, which is clearly marked. If this is full, please use alternative parking in the local area. The Heron Tennis car park is free until 1st April 2024 and passes are available from the office for drop off and collection times after this date. There is a disabled space for badge holders, and this is clearly marked as well. Thank you for your assistance in keeping the front of the academy safe for staff and pupils.

Attendance figures for the week beginning Monday 19th February 2024

Reminder: Please arrive at 8.30am, ready for 8.40am registration. Thank you for ensuring your child arrives on time.

Year 3	Attendance	Year 4	Attendance	Year 5	Attendance	Year 6	Attendance
3BR	89%	4MM	96%	5RD	94%	6JD	89%
3JJ	96%	4DH	86%	5AS	93%	6JM	93%
3JR	94%	4GB	98%	5AC	89%	6MR	91%
3WM	98%	4MS	91%	5SP	97%	6MA	91%
						6TS	94%



Newquay Junior Academy Diary Dates for Spring Term 2024



Tuesday 5 th March	Online Parent/Carer Consultations Please note there will be no after-hours activity clubs on today and appointments are online. Please provide your child's home time arrangement for Tuesday at 2.55pm, if you still need to do so. https://forms.office.com/e/dmvZU8WmX7
Tuesday 5 th March	St Piran's Day Year 4 will be learning 2 Cornish songs and making flags to celebrate the day. Year 4 pupils and their families are invited to join the St Piran's Day Parade at 3.30pm in Newquay. Please confirm if you will be able to attend the Parade, thank you if you have already done so. https://forms.office.com/e/LgsNf36dXx
Tuesday 5 th March	Some of the NJA Choir will be singing sea shanties from 1.45pm at Newquay Library to celebrate.
Thursday 7 th March	World Book Day Pupils will not be required to dress up for this. We are holding a Book Fair, Story Jar Competition & other activities during the day to celebrate our love of reading at NJA!
Thursday 7 th March	From 1.40pm at the side of the Edge Hall, Year 3 Parents are invited to our Yr 3 Reading Party
Thursday 7 th March	Songfest at Truro Cathedral Selected pupils are to be collected from NJA at 2pm and arrive at the Cathedral at 3pm for rehearsals. They will need to bring drinks, snacks, and a packed tea, so they can stay with staff until the concert. Audience members need pre-purchased tickets and can queue up from 6pm. Doors open at 6.45pm. The concert is due to end at 9pm.
Wednesday 13 th March	Lego League Competition takes place at RNAS Culdrose– we wish the NJA team the best of luck!
Wednesday 13 th March	Year 4, 5 & 6 Cross Country – pupils need packed lunch, coat, PE kit, drink & return to NJA for 2.55pm.
Thursday 14 th March	Online Parent/Carer Consultations. Please note there will be no after-hours activity clubs on these days and appointments are online.
Friday 15 th March	Comic Relief Day – Pupils can wear red, take part in the cake sale and make their class smile!
Monday 18 th March	4MM & 4MS Residential Camp – Exploring Exeter Cathedral, the Synagogue & staying at the YHA.
Tuesday 19 th March	Outdoor activities at Adventure Okehampton and then return to the academy.
Tuesday 19 th March	5AS Online Parents Evenings – on Tuesday 19 th March & Thursday 21 st March.
Thursday 21 st March	NJA Choir will be singing sea shanties for parents/families at the “ NJA Song Fest ”. This will be for all the choir and will take place in The Edge Hall – further details will follow nearer the time.
Friday 22 nd March	Year 3 Drama club performance “Geology Rocks” in the Edge Hall from 3.05pm.
Monday 25 th March	4GB & 4DH Residential Camp – Exploring Exeter Cathedral, the Synagogue & staying at the YHA.
Tuesday 26 th March	Outdoor activities at Adventure Okehampton and then return to the academy.
Wednesday 27 th March	Year 5 Sea Shanty Concert – Parents & carers are invited to come and watch Year 5 performing sea shanties.
Wednesday 27 th March	3BR and 3JR visit Tolcarne Beach for geology trip to explore the rocks on the beach.
Thursday 28 th March	3JJ and 3WM visit Tolcarne Beach for geology trip to explore the rocks on the beach.
Thursday 28 th March	Last day of term – All pupils finish at 2.55pm on this day. No NINJAS wraparound afterhours childcare or activity clubs on Thursday 28th March. -----
Summer Term	Monday 15th April – Friday 26th July 2024.
Weds 1st – Fri 3rd May	Porthpean Activity Camp – further details will be sent out to families nearer the time.
Monday 6th May	May Day Bank Holiday – academy closed.
Monday 13 th May	Year 6 SATS will take place this week – Monday 13 th May – Friday 17 th May. All Year 6 pupils need to arrive on time and ready for the day during this important week.
Summer Half Term	Monday 27th May to Friday 31st May 2024. -----
Monday 3 rd June	First day back after half term.
Friday 26 th July	Last day of term – All pupils finish at 2.55pm on this day. No NINJAS wraparound afterhours childcare or activity clubs on Friday 26th July 2024.

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